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Attorney General Lucey Makes Important Ruling on Rights of Women.

### OFFICE IS CONSTITUTIONAL

Controversy Among Springfield Attorneys Leads to Handing Down of the Opinion.

Attorney General Lucey holds that women will not be allowed under the provisions of the new suffrage law to vote for county superintendent of schools in the fall. The question came to the notice of the attorney general as a result of a controversy among Springfield attorneys and judge, who were divided on the pro-

The position of county superintendent of schools is a county office and under the new 'aw women are not allowed to vote for constitutional ofd-

#### Hope Rests on One Word.

It was at first thought that women were entitled by the law of 1891, revised in 1909, to vote for county superintendent. The word "may" in the clause which states that the county superintendent may be elected, was fect of placing the office of county superintendent without the pale of constitutional offices. The attorney gensral, however, holds otherwise.

#### Of Interest Hore.

Here in Rock Island county where an unexpired term and where in all probability there will be one or more women aspirants in the field at the be long remembered. county election in the fall the opinion of the attorney general is of particu-

New York-Removal of snow from New York streets this winter, the street cleaning commission announced, cost \$2,400,000. About \$100,000 more must be expended before the streets could be announced in normal condition. There were eight storms. and about thirty-five inches of snow

Bigger Wedding Than Sister's for McAdoo's Bride



though President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson hope to make the coming wedding ceremony in the White house as simconstrued by some to have the ef- ple as their positions will allow, it is generally believed that it will be more elaborate and more largely attended than the marriage last November of Miss Jessie Wilson and F. B. Sayre. This is partly explained by the prominence of the bridegroom-elect, Mr. Mc-Adoo, the secretary of the treasury; a woman has been chosen to fill the and is partly accounted for by the fact office of county superintendent during that his flancee, Miss Eleanor Wilson, is fond of fuss and feathers and wants her wedding to be an event that will

It is quite assured that the heads of the embassies and legations of white diamond solitaire, in an old foreign governments represented at Washington will be invited, together with the members of the cabinet and the supreme court. In any case there will be a larger number of Washington residents invited. It is believed

The ring which Secretary McAdoo has given Miss Wilson is one of the handsomest engagement rings ever change in the president's cabinet.

in Washington. It is a huge

fused to tell what inscription was on the inside the ceremony will take place early in nings Bryan, who, as wife of the girl. secretary of state, is recognized as

the leader of the official set. The marriage will not cause any

It is denied that Mr. McAdoo will retire from the cabinet after the wedding and go into the banking business, on the federal reserve board or become ambassador to France.

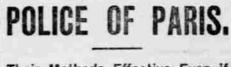
Now that the friends of Miss Wil-

son and Secretary McAdoo have seen the engagement ring they are insistent on knowing just when the wedding will take place and who will make up the bridal party. Undoubtedly Mrs. Sayre will be her sister's matron of honor and Miss Margaret Wilson and Miss Nona McAdoo will be the bridesmaids. It has even been suggested that owing to the warm fashion claw setting, engraved in the friendship that exists between the back. Naturally, Miss Wilson rebride-to-be and Miss Sallie McAdoo, the young daughter of the secretary, Miss Sallie McAdoo will also be one As a cabinet hostess Miss Wilson of the wedding party, acting in the will rank next to Mrs. William Jen- capacity of ring bearer or flower

> bed or into the closet which is in your chamber. You must place your port manteau in its usual situation near the bed and betray no suspicion. Leave what remains to me. If you do not feel your courage sufficient to bear you out I will procure some one who will personate you and go to bed in your stead."

> The merchant, being convinced that M. de Sartine's information was accurate in every particular, refused to be personated and resolved to follow lit-

He accordingly drove to the hotel and went to hed at his usual hour, 11 o'clock. At half past 12-the time mentioned by M. de Sartine-the door posing as criminals among the real of his bedchamber was quietly forced open, and three men entered with a dark lantern, daggers and pistols. The merchant, who pretended to be asleep, perceived one of them to be his own servant. They rifled his portmanteau undisturbed and discussed and settled



Their Methods Effective Even if Sometimes Dramatic.

The police of Paris have always made it a rule to keep closely in touch with the criminal element, the spies and secret officials of the department criminals when necessary to learn their secrets. The following incident, in which the national impulse for dramatic effect crops out, will serve to illustrate how well at times they do their

At the beginning of the French revolution the chief of the police of Paris had upon his register the names of no fewer than 2,000 suspected and depraved characters whose pursuits were known to be of a criminal nature.

A merchant of high respectability in Bordeaux had occasion to visit Paris upon commercial business, carrying with him bills and money to a very large amount. On his arrival at the gates of the French metropolis a genteel looking man opened the door of the carriage and addressed him to this

"Sir, I have been waiting for you some time. According to my notes, you were to arrive at this hour, and, your person, your carriage and your portmanteau exactly answering the description I hold in my hand, you will preferential primary. permit me to have the honor of conducting you to M. de Sartine."

The gentleman, astonished and alarmed at this interruption and still more at hearing the name of the chief inspector of the police mentioned, demanded to know what M. de Sartine wanted with him, adding that he had never committed any offense against the laws and that the police could have no right to detain him.

The messenger declared himself ignorant of the cause of the detention and said that when he had conducted him to M. de Sartine he should have executed his orders. After some further explanations the gentleman permitted the officer to conduct him to the police official,

M. de Sartine, the chief of police, received him with great politeness and, after requesting him to be seated, to his astonishment described his portmanteau and told him the exact amount in bills and cash which he had brought with him to Paris, where he was to lodge, his usual time of going to bed and a number of other circumstances which he had conceived were known only to himself, Having thus excited his attention.

M. de Sartine naked him: "Sir, are you a man of courage?" The gentleman, still more astonished at the singularity of his interrogatory, demanded the reason why such a question was put to him, adding

that no man had hitherto doubted his

courage. "Sir, you are to be robbed and murdered this night," replied M. de Sartipe. "If you are a man of courage you must go to your hotel and retire to rest at the usual hour. But be careful not to fall asleep. Neither will It be proper for you to look under your

erally the directions he had received.

the plan of patting him to death.

Hearing all this and not knowing by what means he was to be rescued, the merchant was ander great perturbation of mind during such an interval of suspense.

Just at the moment the villains were preparing to take the merchant's life four police officers, who were concealed under the bed and in the closet, rushed out and seized the offenders in the very act of attempting murder and with the stolen property in their possession. The law made short work of the criminals, and the police congratulated the merchant on his courage and

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which traverse the seas. Every year the water highways are more fully occupied, and the tendency is toward a higher average speed. Nothing can be seen through a dense fog. Nothing can be heard with sufficient distinctness and certainty as to distance and direction to meet the demands of safety. The best fog signals in use repeatedly fail to avert terrible disasters.-CleveCaught Enough.

Mary-The doctor says this illness of mine is caused by a germ. Agnes-What did he call it? Mary-I don't remember. I caught the disease, but not the name.-Judge.

Tommy-Pop, a man and his wife are one, aren't they? Tommy's Pop-Yes, my son; sometimes one too many.

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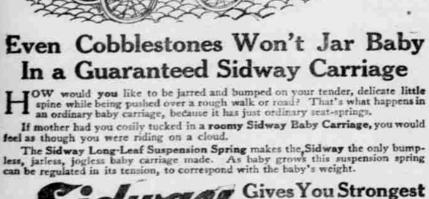
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